

# Construction Engineering on Local Government Projects

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## Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to define how construction engineering may proceed on Local Government Projects.

## Policy

UDOT maintains an adequate staff of competent personnel to accomplish its mission in construction engineering. In addition, consultants are used as needed to mitigate peak work loads. Construction engineering for local government federal-aid projects represents work over and above that for which the Construction Division of UDOT is staffed. Therefore UDOT will not perform construction engineering for local government projects unless the local government requests assistance and can show that a hardship exists, and that substantial savings can be realized by using UDOT for construction engineering. The Construction Division will assign a project engineer in a hardship case only with a written request by the local agency and with written approval by the UDOT Executive Staff.

The time involved in following the independent estimate process to obtain a consultant is not a valid reason for using UDOT construction engineering.

When federal funds are used for construction engineering, local governments may use their engineer of record or a consultant to perform construction engineering on local federal aid projects, provided they are certified to perform construction engineering. UDOT will assign a project manager to monitor the project during construction. The UDOT project manager will charge appropriate costs to the project.

Notwithstanding the provisions outlined above, UDOT staff members are encouraged to continue their traditional coordination and technical assistance to Local governments in both federal-aid and non-federal-aid transportation concerns.